



Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

~ July 2026 ~

Online

**Bearded Iris
Rhizome Auction
and Sale!**

(above): **Old Sport** (Schreiners 2025)

photos: hybridizer websites



Once again we will be holding our bearded iris rhizome auction via Zoom at **7:30 p.m.** on Friday July 24 (Zoom details are on page four). If you cannot attend and would like to proxy bid, please contact me at (510) 205-4033 or jeanmarierichter@gmail.com and let me know what you are interested in and your cost constraints.

All iris pictured in the newsletter should be available for auction, along with many others.

Please support our club by buying rhizomes, as we have had few opportunities for iris sales during the pandemic.

I will contact members to arrange delivery or pickup of door prize rhizomes. We will also have an online rhizome sale a bit later in the summer - stay tuned.

Take care and stay safe everyone.

Jean



(right) **Procrastination** (Keppel 2025)



Rhizome Auction iris!

July 2026 Bearded Iris Auction

Many of the door prize iris for 2025-2026 should be available for auction - pictures in the newsletter are simply a sample of those available!

upper left: **Sand And Surf** (Van Liere 2024)

lower left: **Party Belle** (Keppel 2025)

upper right: **Grand Masterpiece** (Tasco 2023) AB OGB

lower right: **Regal Fantasy** (Tasco 2025)



More Auction iris!

(right top) **Kachina Cosmos** (Dash 2023)

(left top) **Head Of The Class** (T. Johnson 2023)

(right middle) **Vanilla Fizz** (Tasco 2025)

(left middle) **Dancing Witches** (Keppel 2025)

(right bottom) **New Mexico Sky** (Dash 2022)

(left bottom) **Swirling Surf** (Keppel 2025)



Virtual Show Still Being Judged

Our virtual show is still being judged, thank you for your patience. We had nearly 200 entries this year, from 17 different entrants. Entrants from as far away as North Carolina entered our show! It would be great to have more entrants from our club in future shows, as well as others.

As I was finalizing this issue, we received word that longtime member Helen Bliven passed away on July 15. I'm glad we got to see her one last time at our June meeting. Our heartfelt condolences go out to her family and friends. We will miss you, Helen!

Zoom link for Friday's auction:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86031212815?
pwd=Grbtu8wBIP37i6LmBa4onKZzi84Cvn.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86031212815?pwd=Grbtu8wBIP37i6LmBa4onKZzi84Cvn.1)

Meeting ID: 860 3121 2815

Passcode: 717469



Joint Session (Keppel 2025)

Hug someone you love today
SBMIS Newsletter -- Jean Richter
1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501 below:
Parsnip and Cecilia consider their auction
bidding strategy



If you see **old iris stuff which is about to be tossed**, please contact Gesine, so we can conserve these bits of history. I assure you, anything donated will be cherished. (510) 864-7962

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2026 SBMIS Meeting dates:

July 24 online rhizome auction

August 28 Jeff Bennett (topic TBA)

September BBQ TBA

October 23 beardless auction & sale



photo right: **Fully Charged** (M. Sutton 2022)

***COVID is surging right now
Stay Home, CALL A FRIEND!***